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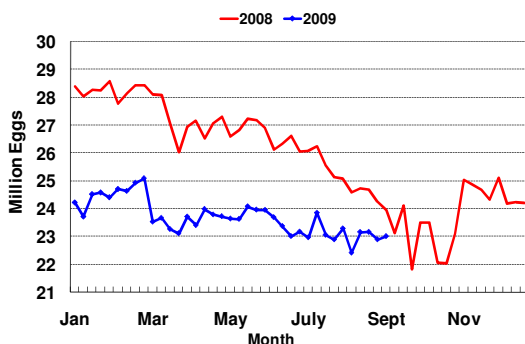
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down Slightly from Last Year

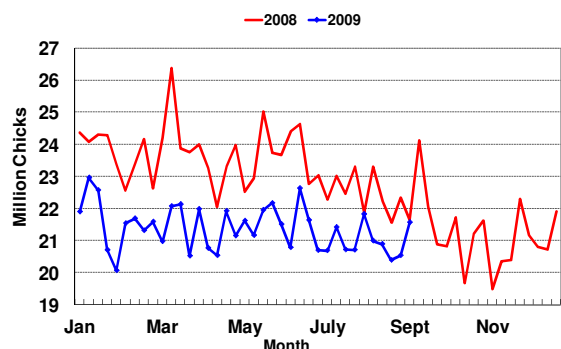
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.6 million during the week ending September 12, 2009. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week in 2008 but up 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 12, 2009, down 4 percent from the same period last year but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, August 15, 2009 - September 12, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	15-Aug	22-Aug	29-Aug	5-Sep	12-Sep	15-Aug	22-Aug	29-Aug	5-Sep	12-Sep
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	28,492	27,700 *	28,722	27,662	27,911	20,248	20,234	20,290	20,875	19,513
Arkansas	22,428	23,172 *	23,175 *	22,903 *	23,018	20,998	20,895	20,394 *	20,538 *	21,575
Delaware	3,788	3,745	3,365	3,478	3,297	4,876	4,696	4,448	4,291 *	5,128
Florida	885	885	899	901	900	724	727	729	650	648
Georgia	31,811	31,587	31,708	31,504 *	30,969	26,252	26,504	25,202	27,066 *	26,914
Kentucky	7,671 *	7,532 *	7,534	7,001	7,360	6,219 *	6,486 *	6,516 *	6,657	6,665
Louisiana	3,455	3,455	3,424	3,409	3,394	2,955	3,003	3,020	3,016	2,953
Maryland	8,956	8,957	8,854	8,132	8,180	5,869	6,277	6,661	6,024 *	5,297
Mississippi	18,095	18,218	17,833	17,526	17,872	16,360	16,218	16,298	16,113	15,994
N. Carolina	18,719	18,564 *	18,235	17,828	16,744	15,017	15,684	14,996	15,434	15,496
Oklahoma	6,763	7,025 *	6,817	6,879 *	6,461	4,163	4,499	4,953	4,401 *	4,825
Pennsylvania	3,680	3,709	4,039 *	3,992 *	3,895	3,205	3,207	3,052 *	2,986 *	2,982
S. Carolina	5,815	5,758	5,533	5,274	5,783	4,926	4,827	5,130	4,715 *	4,591
Texas	15,398	14,832	14,836	14,157	14,111	13,175	13,125	12,890	13,094	12,861
Virginia	6,154	6,089	6,100	6,111	5,918	5,171	4,789	4,721	5,552	5,172
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,574 *	18,775 *	18,389 *	18,395 *	17,680	17,029 *	15,308 *	16,398 *	15,270 *	15,274
19 State Total	200,684 *	200,003 *	199,463 *	195,152 *	193,493	167,187 *	166,479 *	165,698 *	166,682 *	165,888
Prev. Year Total	207,095	206,837	204,988	201,630	197,833	172,779	170,273	170,083	170,363	170,671
% of Prev. Year	97	97	97	97	98	97	98	97	98	97

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 193 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 12, 2009. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 12, 2009. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through September 12, 2009 were 6.22 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.